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Philander Chase Letters

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## Letter to Olivea Chase

Philander Chase

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To Mrs Oliver & Jane

16. Dec. 1846.

Jubilee College Ill

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Dear Sister.

I thank you and dear Lucia for your joint-stroke letter. It does my heart good to see that you two are together & help bear each others burdens. What a comfort it is to know those who now suffer will one day (& that soon) reunite together in Christ's kingdom! I am here at Jubilee sympathizing with you in Vermont. The distance between us seems as nothing when I seem to see you and hear you speak and behold your anxious care for my beloved Brother Dudley. Being so near his age and like him now suffering much in bodily health and remembering so many things in which we have participated in our past long lives I can not feel indifferent to any circumstance that relates to one so beloved. What you do to him you seem to do to me also. and tho' he may <sup>at times</sup> appear to be insensible of your kindness - yet, dear Sister, remember that I am not. I know your worth and thank you for your kindness to my Brother.

I rejoice to learn that Dudley Cummings is once more with you. How valuable his services must be now in such distress - my imagination not my pen can tell.



I am quite pleased to hear that Dear Sister Rachel has been to see you. Were I as near to you as she is I should taste that pleasure very often altho I am a cripple.

We are all in good health here on Jubilee Hill except dudly my beloved son who is frequently complaining. His zeal as a faithful minister of the Gospel - frequently carries him too far and then he sinks back into a state of weakness. - You can recollect the feeble health of his dear Mother: his is similar. - Like her he is most beloved. His little son now about 2 years old called Alexander after his maternal uncle is the finest child I ever saw. He speaks and holds a conversation like children of twice his age.

Tell Lucia that my praise of Alex must not detract from the excellencies of her grandchild. Few are superior to them. I spoke to them yesterday (Sunday the 15 of Feb.) in Church and found them all



well and delighted to speak of them Grand Ma  
ther. Little Sally says she is gone beyond  
the great Lake waters to Vermont to see  
her friends. March has entirely recovered  
from his indisposition and Fide and Pru are  
never better.

Henry's & Children are well  
and very heavy. — Whitland's Alice  
Corbett. is beyond all praise.

Our Mills are now at work —  
we have plenty of Meal — and  
Flour and Lumber.

Our Sheep — are in good health and  
are of the finest wool — in all 1250  
of them 65 are lambs a few days old  
only — more than 600 are yet to  
make their appearance this spring.  
all of God prosper us.

Our Spiritual Folk I trust are not  
neglected: for there we strive for the best we pray  
love to all Your loving Brother Thos Chas



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